Tuesday, April 7

Mark | 1:1-11 ◆ Psalm 88:3-9

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest! Mark 11:10

With Heart and Life and Voice

King David represented God to His people in the Promised Land. But then God's people lost the land due to their disobedience. God brought them back, but things were never the same.

God made a promise: the Son of David would come. Was Jesus this Son of David? Would everything return back to the glory days of David? Yes. And no.

Yes. Jesus is the Son of David, King David's greater King. Yes, He represented—and is—God to His people. Yes, Jesus would usher in the Kingdom with its glory. But it wouldn't be a restoration of King David's kingdom. He would restore the kingdom of God with a glory we can't comprehend.

We pray *Thy kingdom come*. Daily. But how does God's kingdom come? "God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity" (Second Petition, Lord's Prayer, Luther's Small Catechism).

Today, we praise our King with heart and life and voice. Filled with the Spirit, we praise Jesus and tell others about Him with literally everything God has given us. On the Last Day, we keep praising Him "there in eternity."

O Son of David, You came to bring Your kingdom. Fill us with Your Spirit, that Your kingdom comes in us today as we wait for Your return. Amen.